104TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 1716

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to assure that the operations of the Forest Service are free of racial, sexual, and ethnic discrimination, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 25, 1995

Mr. Herger (for himself, Mr. Doolittle, Mr. Cooley, and Mr. Inglis of South Carolina) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

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 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
 - 3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**
 - 4 This Act may be cited as the "Forest Service Em-
 - 5 ployment Opportunity Act of 1995".
 - 6 SEC. 2. ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION IN THE FOREST
 - 7 SERVICE.
 - 8 (a) In General.—The Secretary of Agriculture is
 - 9 directed to take such steps as are necessary to assure that

1	the operations of the Forest Service are free of racial,
2	gender-based, and ethnic discrimination. Such steps shall
3	include—

- (1) assuring that employment is not offered to persons based on their race, sex, or national origin;
- (2) assuring that employment is not conditioned on political or ideological commitments;
- (3) assuring compliance with the requirements of title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; and
- (4) such other steps as are necessary to prevent any preferences in employment, contracting, or otherwise, from being extended by the Forest Service on the basis of race, sex, or national origin.
- 14 (b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date 15 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture 16 shall report to Congress on the steps taken to implement 17 this section, and their effectiveness.

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